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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SEVENTY  
- MILLION DOLLAR PNEUMATIC CONVEYING SYSTEMS

REF: (A) STATE 026050; (B) ROME 1511; (C) ROME 0158

1. TWO ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF POSSIBLE INTEREST TO  
SIEMENS HAVE SURFACED. MR. DAVID OZERKIS, FORMER CHIEF  
ENGINEER FOR THE ROOSEVELT ISLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,  
HAS INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO ENTER INTO CORRESPONDENCE  
WITH THE CONSULTANT ON HIS EXPERIENCE WITH AVAC SYSTEM AND  
POSSIBILITIES FOR ADAPTING THE SYSTEM FOR USE IN ITALY.  
MR. OZERKIS IS NOW EMPLOYED BY THE VSL CORPORATION, 950

THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, 10022,  
TEL: (212) 935-9650. IF THE SYSTEM WERE ADAPTED, VSL  
COULD BECOME INVOLVED IN THE FABRICATION OF COMPONENTS.  
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ANOTHER ENGINEER WHO WORKED CLOSELY WITH OZERKIS ON AVAC  
IS RICHARD MARTIMUCCI, NOW WITH RAM ENGINEERING,  
P.O. BOX 1041, NEW CANAAN, CONNECTICUT, 06840,

TEL: (203) 966-4534. HE ALSO WOULD BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS  
ADAPTATIONS OF THE PROCESS.

2. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT THE AVAC SYSTEM, ALTHOUGH INVOLVING SOME PROPRIETARY SWEDISH PROCESSES, USED ALMOST ALL U.S. EQUIPMENT. PROCESS HAS BEEN USED FOR TRASH AT BOTH ROOSEVELT ISLAND AND DISNEY WORLD, NOT DISNEYLAND AS REPORTED REF A. OZERKIS AND MARTIMUCCI ARE AMONG BEST SOURCES IN U.S. ON USES OF SYSTEM AND WE RECOMMEND DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE WITH THEM AS MOST FRUITFUL APPROACH FOR SIEMENS. FYI. RAM ENGINEERING IS PRIVATE FIRM FORMED BY GROUP OF ENGINEERS WHO ARE VETERANS OF ROOSEVELT ISLAND DEVELOPMENT CORP., A NEW YORK STATE ENTITY. OZERKIS AND MARTIMUCCI, CONTRARY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER CITED REF A, WERE INITIALLY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED SYSTEM.  
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